

## **REMARKS**

### **I. Amendment of the Claims**

Claims 1-17 are hereby cancelled. Claim 18 and 35 were previously cancelled. Claims 19-34 and 36-39 are not amended hereby.

### **II. Claims 1-17**

Claims 1-17 were rejected in the Office Action of March 2, 2007. The rejection of these claims is rendered moot by the cancellation of those claims in this Response.

### **III. Claims 19-34 and 36-39**

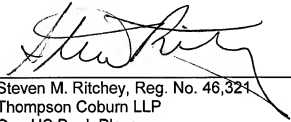
Applicant acknowledges the finding by the Office that claims 19 -34 and 36-39 are allowable.

### **IV. Conclusion**

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been rendered moot. Applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment after Final Rejection be entered pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116(b)(1) as placing the application in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance and therefore request that the Office issue a Notice of Allowance.

It is not believed that extensions of time or other fees are required beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this Response. Nevertheless, in the event that additional extensions of time or other fees are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore or otherwise are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account 20-0823.

Respectfully submitted,

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